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STAPLE AND FANCY

DRY GOODS,

BOOTS, SHOES,

HATS, CAPS,

STUFFS, TOBACCO

SEGARS, &C., &C.,

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The best brands of Flour constantly on hand.

We manufacture and keep on hand the latest style of

SADDLES,

BRIDLES,

MARTINGALES, and

ALL KINDS OF HARNESS.

Repairing done.

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COAL COMPANY'S

STORE.

I HAVE just received and opened a

NEW STOCK OF GOODS

FOR THE

Tennessee Coal Company,

in the house formerly occupied by Messrs.

A. S. Handley & Brother, embracing the

usual variety, such as

Dry Goods,

Boots, Shoes, Hats,

Hardware, Queensware,

Family Groceries, &c.,

which I propose to sell at the LOWER

CASH PRICES, or exchange for

ALL KINDS PRODUCE,

SUCH AS

Bacon, Lard, Corn,

Meal, Flour, Chickens,

Eggs, Butter, Beeswax,

Ginseng, Feathers, &c.

F. A. LOUGHMILLER.

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W. S. EMBREY & CO.

HAVE JUST RECEIVED A LARGE

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or needful of the people could wish.

The wants of LADIES and GEN-

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and they invite them to call and examine

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In addition to their stock of

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they keep on hand a supply of

STAPLE GROCERIES,

such as will supply the wants of the

housekeeper.

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Styles!

FASHIONABLE

TAILORING!

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For Rent.

The residence in Winchester, known

as "Fancy Gate," can be rented for the

year. Also the furniture. There is a

good garden and good water on the

place.

Letter from the Hon. B. J. Hill to

Cols. Marks and Turney.

WINCHESTER, TENNESSEE,

April 23d, 1867.

GEN. B. J. HILL:

Dear Sir:—Since the close of the war

we have observed the political contest

which has been going on in our State,

with the deepest solicitude; and, after

a careful analysis of the conflict be-

tween the parties struggling for the su-

premacny, we have come to the conclu-

sion that all the issues hinge upon a

single cardinal idea, and that it is the

political status of those who acted with

us in the late war. The Radical party

perpetuates upon us the chain of

perpetual political slavery, while the

Conservative party is battling for our

Constitutional freedom. We believe

that the result of the present campaign

will be in all probability a final de-

termination of our status. The Radical

party in Tennessee proposes for us a

political vassalage for more onerous

than a Radical Congress, representing

a Radical North, proposes for our

Southern brethren; if that party is suc-

cessful, in our view no hope is left us.

Hitherto, for obvious reasons, we

deemed it the preferable policy for those

in bonds like us to remain silent spec-

tators while the contest progressed;

but we are now convinced that the time

has come when it is the bounden duty

of every patriot to stand firmly by the

right and make war upon injustice un-

til the secured thing is put away from

among the people.

The ostracized class to which we be-

long has suffered all manner of villifi-

cation and misrepresentation at the

hands of the Radicals without an at-

tempted vindication. This we have

done, trusting that as turning sense

of justice would persuade them to aban-

don their warfare upon us, but our

hearsance, instead of exciting their gen-

erosity in our favor, seems only to have

increased the ferocity of their coward-

ly attack.

We are told by some who claim to

be our friends that we should still per-

sist in our inactivity, but we are dis-

posed to question either the judgment

or patriotism of those who so advise.

We have arrived at this conclusion

for the reason that the Radicals are em-

ploying every appliance to make enmity

between the white man and the black

man which in our judgment must cul-

minate in a war of races. They are

seeking to bring about this result by a

studied and persistent course of mis-

representation of our class. The white

man, and the black man of the South

must be friends or enemies, and we be-

lieve that the interest of both races de-

mands that they should remain friends.

If the white man treats the black man

with injustice it is impossible for the

black man to be the friend of the white

man; enmity and its unhappy conse-

quences must follow. We desire to

avert such a result, and we are of the

opinion that it can be done only by

planting ourselves firmly and honestly

upon the platform of equal civil and

political privileges to all men. Believ-

ing that our Country's good requires

it we have determined to bury the dead

issues of the past out of sight, and if

we can exert any influence now, it shall

be given most heartily to the support

of the living issue which involves the

freedom and equality of our down-trod-

den class with all other citizens of the

State. We feel, Sir, that this is a work

which is worthy of the utmost exertions

of every true patriot. Standing

upon this platform we will enter the

campaign triply armed having our quar-

rel just, and if we will do our duty we

will crown our efforts. The black man

now holds the balance of power in our

State, and by misrepresenting us, the

Radicals hope to make him an aux-

iliary in oppressing us. The black man

is credulous, and unless we go to him,

and demonstrate his interest to him

they will mislead him. The Radical

hates us and will continue our per-

sistent enemy, but the black man has

no enmity toward us, and will stand by

our common interest unless driven from

it by the fears excited by the designing

Radical. If we still take the pains to

satisfy the black man that we are his

friends, he will be our friend, but the

Radical is exerting every appliance to

strut and deceive him, and if we still

work our hands while the Radical is at

work we are lost. The black man was

born and reared among our class, and

knowing us well, he will confide in us

if we invite and deserve his confidence,

and therefore, though disfranchised, we

can wield a tremendous power in the

present contest. Our all is at stake,

and we must stand shoulder to shoulder

with undivided devotion, remem-

bering that he who is not for us is

against us.

We address this letter to you for the

reason that your long and brilliant ser-

vice in the late war has made your re-

cord a part of the history of the State,

and whatever differences may exist as

to your course, all who know you will

concede that your conduct was animat-

ed alone by the purest and most disin-

terested patriotism. You have the con-

fidence of our people, and if you will

lend your active support to the great

cause now before them you will contri-

bute largely to its success. If consist-

ent with your views, we desire you to

reply to this letter, expressing your

convictions upon the questions submit-

ted, with permission to give them pub-

licity. We also earnestly desire you

to consent to go before the people, and

arouse them to the great work before

them.

We have the honor to be, Gen-
very respectfully and truly, your friends,
P. TURNER.
A. S. MARKS.

McMINNVILLE, TENNESSEE,

April 26th, 1867.

Cols. P. Turner and A. S. Marks:

Dear Sirs:—I have received with

grateful emotions your kind and patri-

otic letter of the 23d inst., and read its

contents with more than usual interest

and care. I sincerely thank you for

the kind and complimentary manner in

which you speak of and connect my

humble name with the past history of our

country, and my ability to be useful

and do great good in the approaching

campaign, in aid of the Conservative

party, to overturn and sweep from power

the present despotic and tyrannical

Conservative State. While I must confess

the over-estimate you place upon my

feeble abilities to go forth and arouse

the sleeping patriots and urge them to

come boldly forward to aid and assist

the gallant and noble, loyal, Union Con-

servative party to break the shackles

and fetters of the political chain that

the Radical party are endeavoring to fast-

ten perpetually upon us. I will

acknowledge that every man

has an influence with his fellow-citizens,

and now is the time to step forward

from retirement and retirement, and work

shoulder to shoulder for civil rights

and Constitutional Government, and to

avert a war of the two races, and its

dire and terrible consequences.

I am satisfied that you are correct in

the estimate that you place upon my

place upon my motives and sincerity

when I take a position. I was for se-

cession and separation, with all the ar-

der and sincerity of my nature. I did

not want to secede or separate from the

old government and United States flag;

but I did want to separate from a re-

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